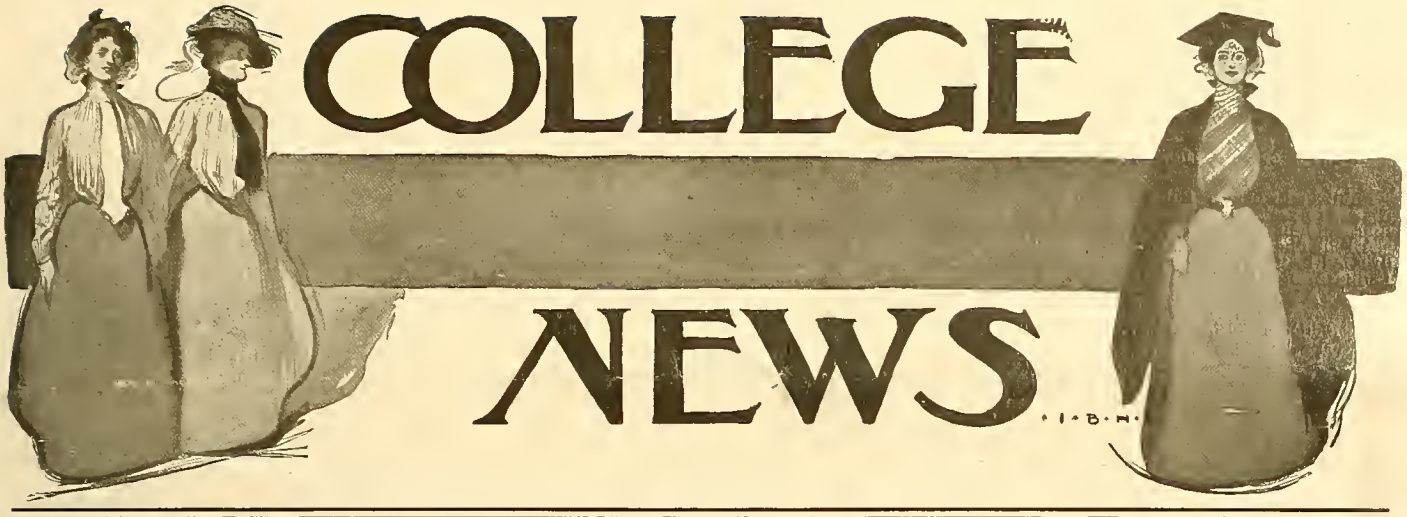

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The Student Government Election.

The result of the election for Student Government president was to be made known at 5.15, Tuesday. At about five o'clock the different classes began to assemble in Centre, the Seniors and Juniors on the first floor, the Sophomores on the second, and the Freshmen on the third. The excitement, as usual, was intense, as no one seemed to be certain which way the election would come out.

At quarter past five, the gong on third floor centre was rung, and there was immediate quiet, as Kate Lord appeared beside the gong, and said, "Girls, your Student Government President for next year is Florence Hutsinpillar."

All the other classes cheered lustily for the new president, and also for the other candidates, Louise Hunter and Mary Follett. Then a procession formed, with Florence Hutsinpillar, Kate Lord and Louise Allen at its head and the classes followed in order, cheering and singing, out the south door around the end of College Hall, bringing up at the porte-cochere. The Student Government representatives stood on the steps and in the doorway, while the girls good-naturedly struggled for places to see and hear.

There were loud calls of "Speech, speech," to which the newly-elected president responded very earnestly, bringing in Nineteen Four's motto, "Loyal," and promising that she would do her best to carry out the ideals of Student Government as Frances Hughes and Kate Lord had done before her.

Then there were calls for speeches from Kate Lord, Louise Allen, Mary Leavens and Anna Klingenhagen. It was a curious thing, and yet perhaps not so strange after all, that each of these short speeches contained some reference to the fact that the whole college is back of Sudent Government and loyally supports its President, no matter what individual preferences may have been before the election.

Louise Hunter and Mary Follett, who were next called upon to speak, each heartily congratulated Nineteen Four and the college on the new Student Government President. Again the procession started, Nineteen Four following immediately after the three leaders. They marched around the circle, and each Junior after the march, went up the steps and shook hands with Florence Hutsinpillar.

The celebration for the afternoon ended with "Alma Mater" and the Wellesley cheer. Immediately after dinner, there was singing on the chapel steps for the first time this year.

May Day.

About eight o'clock in the morning, the college assembled on the campus, the Seniors to roll their hoops, the others to look on and cheer. Before the start, the Seniors sang this song, to the tune of "In the Good Old Summer-time."

Altho' we're grand old Seniors we can drop
our books a while,
Forget those final papers and adopt the
juvenile;
In cap and gown we rally forth in dignified
array
To act like kids and roll our hoops upon
the first of May.
We can't forget this first of May—alack, it
is our last,
And so we turn hilarious to the playthings
of the past.
We say good-bye to childhood thus and
have our years of play,
As sportively we roll our hoops upon the
first of May.

Cheers from the other classes—notably the Sophomores—and impromptu songs followed, while the Seniors rolled their hoops around the circle and across the campus to the chapel steps. There they arranged themselves on either side the steps, and holding up their hoops, formed a brightly-colored arch, under which the Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen marched into chapel. The chapel services were conducted by Miss Hazard, and made impressive by the Seniors marching in and out, two by two. After chapel, the Seniors, in a double circle, danced around their class tree, and sang their class song. The Sophomores encircled them, and all sang Alma Mater and gave the Wellesley cheer. Then the Sophomore circle opened into the form of a horseshoe, and the Seniors rolled their hoops back to College Hall.

At 4.15 in the afternoon, all the girls, dressed as little children, ran out on the campus to play games and dance around the May pole. There were big girls and little girls, girls in pink and girls in blue; there were big boys and little boys, and some of the very youngest—in kilts—brought their nurses with them. At first "prisoner's base" and "drop the handkerchief" were the favorite games, but when the May pole was ready, all the little children ran to seize a ribbon. Singing and laughing they danced in and out among the gayly-colored ribbons. Mock pedlars sold balloons on the campus, and pretty soon the air was full of red and green balls, and the shouts of merry children chasing them. All hunger and thirst was easily satisfied under the cedar trees, where candy, fudge and peppermint sticks, lemonade and ice-cream were sold—a fine scheme for procuring money for the Silver Bay delegation. The crowd dispersed with lusty cheers for "1903 May Day." Thus passed in merriment and fun one more of those days, so peculiar to Wellesley, which make it always the "College Beautiful!"

Arrangements have just been concluded with Mr. Ben Greet to present, on the college grounds, under the auspices of the Department of English Literature, the morality play of "Everyman," and Ben Jonson's beautiful pastoral "The Sad Shepherd." Both plays will be given on May 29; "Everyman" at 4.15, P.M., and "The Sad Shepherd" at 8.00, P.M. They will be presented out of doors if the weather permits. "Everyman" will be given substantially as it was in Boston, but with certain new features at the beginning and end of the play. There is already on record but one performance of "The Sad Shepherd." It was left incomplete at Ben Jonson's death, and was probably never acted until July 23, 1898, when it was presented by the Elizabethan Stage Society in the Quadrangle of Fulham Palace. It is a Sherwood Forest pastoral, abounding in exquisite poetry and ending with a tumultuous chase after the witch Maudlin. Tickets will be sold to members of the college, Dana Hall, Walnut Hill and students of the Wellesley schools at reduced rates. Exact announcement in regard to price and place of sale will be made next week.

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The past week was certainly a memorable one in our college calendar. It is seldom in our history that we have had within a few short days two events of such college-wide interest as the Vassar-Wellesley debate and the election of the President of the Student Government Association. We had not finished talking about the debate when it was time for us to elect our new Student Government President.

We came back from Vassar fully convinced that there may be some very fine things about debates after all—Thermopylaes are indeed worth while. As President Hazard said, there was so much that we had gained from the debate, even though the decision of the judges had not been what we would have wished, the broadening influence of new relationships, the value to us of the mere work well done and not the least, we believe, the strengthening of our college loyalty. We were proud of the stand we had made in the debate, proud of the girls who had given us their best, but most of all proud of the college to which we belonged, the college we could call our own.

Full of the spirit of the debate, we elected our new Student Government President. It is at times like these, when we stand shoulder to shoulder in common college interests that our blood tingles and we feel the full force of that spirit we call college loyalty. But after a while the first enthusiasm begins to die out, the newness wears off and then—it is not that we intend to be less loyal, but we begin to slip a little, to forget, and the other interests stand before college duties.

Surely our college loyalty is not something that we reserve for great occasions, for times of much cheering and hand-clapping. It must be finer and nobler than this; it should be a controlling force in our every-day college life.

Our Student Government President has promised to give us her best, has asked us only to "back her" in her endeavor. Let us indeed "back her," give her our loyal support. As members of our Student Government Association, every one of us ought to feel proud of the honor of belonging to such an association, every one of us ought to feel directly responsible for the success and power of this, our greatest institution. Let us show that our college loyalty means faithfulness in the more commonplace duties of student life as well as spirited enthusiasm on red-letter days.

NOTICE !

Owing to a shortage in the concert fund for the year, the authorities would like to announce that any contributions to make up this deficiency will be very gratefully received. It is not right that the expense, as well as the responsibility of the college concerts should be borne by Prof. McDougall. We are sure that only a mention of the need will be necessary to make up the amount. Moreover, Professor McDougall announces that if a balance is left in the treasury, he will be glad to give a Freshmen concert next September. We remember the last Freshmen concert, and how it was appreciated; let's do all we can toward having another.

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7.30, P.M., address by Mrs. Ballington Booth.
Monday, May 11, 3-6, P.M., Shirt-waist Dance of Phi Sigma Society at the Barn.
7.30, P.M., recital in College Hall Chapel by the students of the Elocution Department.

THE RETURN FROM VASSAR.

The arrival of the train which brought the girls back from Poughkeepsie roused Wellesley enthusiasm to a degree seldom surpassed. Fully half the college was assembled at the station and when the head-lights were seen down the track, a loud cheer, wordless and prolonged, testified to the presence of the girls who stayed behind. As the debaters left the car, they received cheer on cheer; in fact, the cheering continued uninterruptedly for several minutes. The train waited a short time that the other passengers—the non-collegians—might see and hear the demonstration. Before leaving the station, one or two of the Vassar songs were sung, then, after the Wellesley cheer, everyone went to College Hall for more cheering around Center. The series of cheers, in dialogue form, for everyone who had any connection with the debate, were given most enthusiastically. The form was as follows:

"What's the matter with Effie White?"
"She's all right!"
"Who's all right?"
"Effie White!"
"Who says so?"
"Everybody!"
"Who's everybody?"
"Wellesley College!"

The last answer was brought out, time after time, with tremendous emphasis.

It is significant that in all the cheering for the debate, there was no division into classes: the high and the low stood together; in this interest the college was a unit.

FREE PRESS.

The Editors wish to announce that the following article was written by a non-partisan student; that it has been thoroughly examined, discussed and approved by representative and disinterested members of the Faculty and the Student body; and that its one aim is an exposition of certain abstract principles whose observance and recognition are necessary to the welfare and honour of the college. THE EDITORS.

I.

At a time when the energies of our college are centered in the affairs of its government, it becomes more than ever necessary that each member of the Student Government Association should be primarily a citizen rather than an individual. And it is because the writer feels her citizenship in the community so emphatically at this time that she brings herself to discuss in the Free Press a subject of immediate and definite importance to the community, and, at the same time, of the greatest difficulty and delicacy.

In the conduct of municipal government we are quite used to the exposure of corrupt methods and dishonest campaigning. But that we should be reminded of Tammany politics in a college of ostensibly high ideals and customary honorable methods, should rouse public sentiment to something more than closet-expression and incite such action as would make impossible and inconceivable any repetition of those campaign intrigues recently carried out so successfully. In similar political situations outside of college the good citizens are quick to range themselves against corrupt politics and unscrupulous politicians; shall we Wellesley women be slower to expose, discuss and deal with

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similar tendencies in the conduct of our local government? If we recognize our privilege and duty as voters, we cannot retreat from the obvious necessity which has confronted us for a week. That it must involve three individuals and certain college organizations beside perhaps bringing them into unwelcome prominence, should not, in a question of the welfare of the whole Association, deter us from vigorous investigation and unhesitating exposure.

It should be understood from the beginning, that the three candidates for the office of president are entirely outside any discussion of this matter. What we wish to consider is a set of abstract principles, which have been violated during the past campaign; and in no sense should any criticism be brought to bear upon the candidates themselves, who, by the action which we here condemn, have been perhaps more injured than any other members of the student body. If there were no other ground for condemning such methods as have recently been used, the fact that they do definitely injure the candidates for our honorable offices should be enough to render them unknown quantities among us.

The charges which are brought against the recent elections are such as deserve to be frankly exposed, not in any personal or individual spirit, but as expressing the attitude of self-respecting college women, who refuse to countenance such action for a moment. Electioneering, open and intentional; a deliberate campaign whose object is to accomplish elections, not to the good of Wellesley College, but to the glory of private organizations; to face the matter boldly, society electioneering; these are things which every loyal student of Wellesley should deplore. That society partisanship in the matter of college offices does exist; that it has existed for years, is a fact which everybody knows, and acknowledges to herself; but hitherto no one has come out with it as a public statement. It seems to us, in view of the recent campaign which is concerning us all so seriously, that the time has come to bring forward such a statement. It is not fair to the college to have her interests affected by society partisanship; it is not fair to the societies, which should stand for only the best things, to drag them into public rivalries and political campaigns. It rather taxes our belief in the good faith of representative college girls to learn that systematic canvassing was done in the village by indirect, but mostly by direct methods. Rapid acquaintance during the previous days, and subsequent cordiality judiciously distributed, sent many girls to the polls effectually prejudiced; and personal visits, unapparent enough in their ostensible aim, decided Dover Street and Blossom Street. It has been urged that the electioneering was not done by these supporters "as a body;" the conclusions which we may draw, however, from such a plea are perhaps just as significant!

Just here let us say that there are two distinct kinds of electioneering, and that one is as legitimate as the other is illegitimate. Any electioneering for a candidate, done purely with the intention of bringing her good qualities before prospective voters; with the intention of getting the best girl into the office, is of course not to be condemned. But influencing with the tacit aim of electing a candidate who is a personal or society friend, irrespective of her qualifications—this is the wrong kind of electioneering. The rule to be followed is a simple one—to think in every case only of the good of the organizations whose officers we are choosing.

Some of this matter was hardly more than suspected for a short time, until some victims to this "undue influence" incautiously explained their balloting to certain upper-class girls of considerably more college experience. Repeated testimony of this kind verified suspicions, and since then a number of facts have been disclosed which are—interesting, to say the least. To say it as plainly as the rest of our statements have had to be put, last week witnessed in our Association elections the most open, systematic and shameless electioneering that Wellesley has seen in some years. It is known to Faculty and students alike, and discussed by them with equal vigor and condemnation. Instead of a clean, honest election, worthy of the spirit which seems to

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prompt our North-door speeches, we had one where a very large number of votes were heavily influenced—the kind of an election which emphatically belies those speeches and makes our applause sound dangerously like jingoism.

What can be done is not to be suggested here. The purpose of this article was to print for the further enlightenment of the college the particular and substantiated facts underneath the reports which have lately had such unpopular currency. In face of the knowledge of the modus operandi of the recent campaign, shall we dare to be proud of our Student Government Association or call ourselves loyal and efficient members of it until our sentiment and action shall be set so vigorously against such methods that no individual, and no organization, shall ever attempt thenceforth to subordinate Student Government welfare to individual or society interests?

II.

"Who's up," was a remark heard recently at the polls where an informal ballot was being cast. Then, after a hurried consultation with several friends, the speaker proceeded to vote. Nobody is "up," or rather everybody is, for a scattering ballot. A scattering ballot simply means that each girl is expected to nominate the student whom she considers best able to fill the office. To do this, it is necessary for each one to give the matter grave and independent thought, and not to rely upon the opinions of others. To be sure, it often happens that a student is not familiar enough with members of other classes to be able to judge for herself. In such a case would it not be well for her to leave nominations to those who are wiser and better informed on the subject than she is? Then when it comes to a formal ballot, it is perfectly proper for her to consult one or more persons whose judgment she is sure of. She should be careful, however, to get an all-around, unbiased view of all the candidates and then form a careful decision for herself. We fear the matter of elections is not serious enough with us; we are apt to be carried away by personal prejudices, instead of considering the little community we are living in. 1905.

III.

At its third elections Student Government has fallen into the mire of electioneering of the worst kind. It is belittling enough to an association that its officers must be elected by friends' persuasions, but when intrigue of factions begins then some preventative measure should be taken.

In cities and towns no talk about candidates is allowed within one hundred feet of the polls, and the judges who take in the votes are disinterested men. Some degree of fairness in our Student Government elections might be preserved if disinterested girls checked the voter's names at the ballot box, and if no electioneering were done in the corridors of College Hall, at least.

E. R., 1903.

IV.

We are all anxious to have our campus look as well as possible, and some of us have taken to picking up the scraps of paper that we find strewn along beside the boardwalks, as we come and go from the village.

But sooner or later, the space under the boardwalks must give out. By way of reform, why can't we petition the powers for wire baskets to be placed at stated intervals near the boardwalks, in which these boxes, bits of paper, etc., may be put?

Then, let each girl who has any waste paper to dispose of be sure to put it, as she comes along, in these baskets, so that it may be collected and carried away.

Apparently the only possible objection to this plan, namely, that these wire baskets would disfigure the grounds, is, when one thinks it over, no objection at all, since this system is used in the most beautiful parks in the country with great success. At any rate, the baskets seem to me, to be less disfiguring than the waste paper, which is now strewn all over our campus. What do you think about it? 1905.

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Miss Alice Wood of the class of 1894, who is an instructor in Columbia University, has been a guest of the English Department for the past few days.

Miss Anna Marie Klingenhagen, '02, was a guest of Miss Edith Moore for several days last week.

Miss Mary E. Leavens, '01, was at college during Student Government elections.

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ALUMNÆ NOTES.

Miss Amy Winslow Bates, 1902, is teaching in Great Barrington.

Miss Phebe M. Bogart, '02, is studying medicine at Johns Hopkins University.

Miss Elvira J. Slack, '02, is secretary of the Christian Association at North Western University.

Miss Clara E. Barker, '02, and Miss Harriet E. Crouch, '84, visited the college recently.

Miss Gordon Walker, 1901, announces an entertainment in the Town Hall, Wellesley, on May 26.

The New York Wellesley Club met for the annual election of officers, April 18, at Thirty East Fifty-seventh Street. The list of officers for the ensuing year is: President, Mrs. Edna Patterson Farrar, '98; Vice-president, Miss Grace Miller; Secretary, Mrs. Charlotte Allen Farnsworth; Treasurer, Miss Josephine Emerson; Chairman of the Press Committee, Miss Harriet L. Constantine; Chairman of the College Settlement Committee, Miss May Matthews; Chairman of the Reception Committee, Mrs. Bessie Vail Billings.

The committee having the memorial to Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer in charge read their report and were empowered to carry out the plan suggested. The meeting closed with a short musial program in charge of Mrs. James Pedersen.

ENGAGEMENTS.

The engagement is announced of Miss Edith B. Lehman, '00, to Mr. Paul Feiss of Cleveland.

The engagement is announced of Miss Jeannette L. Gregory, '02, to Mr. Homer M. Byington, vice-consul at Naples, Italy. Mr Byington has by act of the Senate been appointed to the office of consul-clerk for life.

The engagement is announced of Miss Mattie Cady Roberts, '93–'95, to Mr. Albert Perkins of Dorchester.

MARRIED.

HUME—HUNSBERGER. April 27, 1903, at New Haven, Connecticut, Miss Elizabeth N. Hume, 1900, to the Reverend Byron Hunsberger, a classmate in the Hartford Theological Seminary. Mr. and Mrs. Hunsberger will go to Marathi, India, to undertake work in the mission conducted by the American Board of Foreign Missions.

BIRTHS.

April 11, 1903, at New York City, a daughter, Marion, to Mrs. Marion Fiske Miner.

DEATHS.

April 7, 1903, at Ashland, Massachusetts, Mrs. Adelaide Jenkins Whittemore, formerly of the class of 1890.

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COLLEGE NOTES.

Miss Waite, Miss Gamble and Miss McKeag have been appointed Associate Professors, beginning with next year. Miss E. E. Carlisle will have the position of Lecturer in Pedagogy.

The Wellesley clubs in various parts of the country are busily at work collecting funds for a memorial for Mrs. Palmer. The endowment of the presidency at Wellesley has seemed to the committee in charge of the memorial to be the most important thing, and it is for this object that all Wellesley graduates are working. By commencement time it is hoped that a very considerable sum may be announced.

The college has lately received the sum of $25,000 from the Robert C. Billings fund for the endowment of the chair of music.

Mrs. Lyman, formerly Miss Hills of 1808 Spence Street, Philadelphia, is expected to accompany Dr. Lyman.

The college is pleased to learn that President Hazard will represent Wellesley at the inauguration of President King at Oberlin, May 13.

A light opera, "The Japanese Girl," will be given by the members of the class of 1905 at the Barn, on May 9.

Mr. George F. Atkinson, Professor of Botany in Cornell University was entertained by the Botanical Department, Friday, April twenty-fourth. After dinner he gave an informal talk on mushrooms in the botanical lecture-room, which was illustrated by a series of fine lantern slides.

The electives which are to be offered next year will be posted on the bulletin boards, Saturday, May 9.

SOCIETY NOTES.

At a regular meeting of the Alpha Kappa Chi Society, held in the Chapter House on Friday evening, April 24th, Miss Daisy D. Dutcher was formally received into membership. The program for the evening was as follows: Scenes from Euripides' drama "Alcestis" with readings from Robert Browning's translation.

Greek Reader, Marion Potter
Reader of Browning, Ellen Manchester

Tableaux.

The Return from the Burial of Alcestis.
The Return of Heracles from Hades.
The Union of Alcestis and Adructos.

Alcestis, Ethel Waxham
Adructos, Louise Adams
Heracles, Beulah Johnson
Slaves, Isabel Brown, Lucretia Rudolph

At a regular meeting of the Shakespeare Society held in the Shakespeare House, Saturday evening, May 2, Kate Wilson, '05, was received into membership.

Theatrical Notes.

Hollis Street Theatre—Viola Allen in "The Eternal City."
Tremont Theatre—"The Little Duchess."
Boston Museum—"The Unforeseen."
Colonial Theatre—"A Chinese Honeymoon."
Boston Theatre—Frank Daniels in "Miss Simplicity."

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